

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 18, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered in the captioned patent application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Applicants submit the foregoing amendments to place the case in even better condition for allowance or appeal.

This paper is submitted in response to the final Office Action dated October 18, 2007, for which the three-month date for response is January 18, 2008.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Director is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2027.594096RE.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested. An amendment to the specification begins on page 3, amendments to the claims begin on page 4, and the remarks begin on page 8.